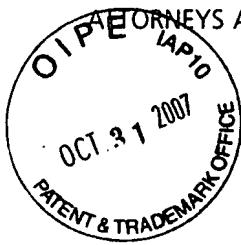




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For: **Boronic Acid Salts**
Inventors: MADGE *et al.*
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Supplemental Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116; and
2. Return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier.

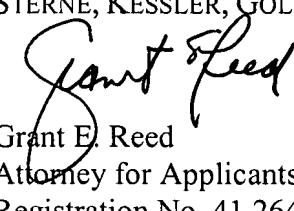
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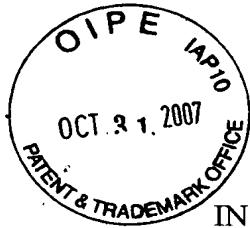
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This Amendment is supplemental to the Amendment filed September 26, 2007 in the present application.

An amendment to the Claims is reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper. Nonelected claims 24 and 25 are being canceled.

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